

## DEVON DUMPLINGS CRICKET CLUB

### PLAYING REPORT 2013

**Fixtures 29 Won 5 Lost 10 Drawn 1 Cancelled/Abandoned 13**

I am pleased to be able to present my second report as Keeper of the Records. I am only sorry that the news is not better.

Out of the 29 fixtures only 17 were played with one of those abandoned as a draw because of rain. The 12 cancelled matches were not played because of: rain (4); opposition unable to raise a side (4 but with a subset of 1 being because of exams); a critical illness in a team organiser (1); and, finally, because of the cancellation of the Oxford tour (3). As we play in England one can never complain about games being lost for rain, nor because of critical illness, but the loss of matches from the inability of clubs to raise sides and the inability of an Oxford College properly to plan their Pavilion refurbishment are fair game for complaint. I know all too well the difficulty of raising sides outside of weekends so have empathy for those struggling to find living, breathing bodies but I have little sympathy for any organisation that should really know better! Perhaps we should try Cambridge next year!

Of the 7 all-day, declaration games that were played 2 were won, 1 drawn and 4 lost. In all 7 matches Dumplings won the toss and batted before declaring in six of them with a good score, but in four games insufficient to take it out of sight. One might argue that the skippers gave themselves plenty of time to win! Only against SOA were we dismissed.

There were only 5 centuries this year and only the 1 for a Dumpling. Blake Reed made 169\* vs. West Buckland School. His aggregate was 182 off two innings. Two young Blundell's openers made centuries in the School match although one profited from 7 dropped catches before he succumbed!

23 half centuries were scored by Dumplings but by so many individuals that the highest run aggregate was 214 by Marnus Labuschagne in 4 innings with three half-centuries. Other than Labuschagne and Reed above only Jamie Tapper scored more than 150 runs with 181 off 6 innings with two half-centuries and two ducks! Famine or feast but the feasts were very entertaining!

In all matches there was only the one 5 wicket haul – P McGahey taking 5 for 42 in a losing cause for Dumplings against Kelly College. Only Bernie Wilson (66 – 5 – 360 – 11) and Jamie Tapper (39 – 7 – 192 – 12) took more than 10 wickets and only Paul Berman (30 – 2 – 179 – 5) and Jack Stirling (36 – 4 – 180 – 5) also bowled 30 overs or more.

Of special note is a rarity for Dumplings in recent years with a Dumplings wicketkeeper taking 5 victims (3 caught and 2 stumped). This was achieved on debut by Scott Schaw against Arden Taverners who were new opponents this year. Sadly coaching duties prevented him playing more than the one match.

Exactly 100 players turned out for Dumplings this year with 68 of them playing only one match. Only 7 played 5 or more matches with a maximum of 12 matches. This perhaps marks some of the, at times, extreme difficulty Match Managers have had in gathering 11 to a match. The good news is that 100 different people accepted invitations!

Finally my highlight of the season was the debut of 13 year old Tom Lammonby against Old Broxfordians where he shared a partnership of 162 with his skipper Graham White and scored an excellent 71 runs. I believe he is the first of that age to score a half-century on debut! Unless anybody knows better of course...

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## MATCH RESULTS 2013

**April 17th at Plymouth College:** Plymouth College vs. D.D. CANCELLED, RAIN

**May 1<sup>st</sup> at Exeter School:** Exeter School vs. D.D. CANCELLED, RAIN

**Rearranged at Exeter School:** Exeter School vs. D.D. CANCELLED, EXAMS

**May 30<sup>th</sup> at Exeter:** Glamorgan Nomads vs. D.D. CANCELLED, OPPOSITION FAILED TO RAISE A SIDE

**May 30<sup>th</sup> at Exeter:** D.D. 175 a.o. (39 overs; C Kelmere 43, F de Villiers 36) LOST to Exeter University 218/4 (40 overs W Steward 2-33) by 43 runs.

The Dumplings made a belated start to the 2013 season with a replacement game against a strong University of Exeter XI at The County Ground. A negotiated toss allowed the students to bat first and a fiery opening burst from Phil Allen made them work hard and could easily have brought several wickets. Merrick Steward shared the new ball and was also unlucky, with Andrew Curtis (54) dropped twice off his bowling. But the openers worked hard to lay a foundation and with runs from Will Leith (27), Matt Laidman (40) and Bradley Lane (23) the University posted a decent score of 218 off their 40 overs. Will Steward bowled off spin at the end of the innings to good effect.

In reply, the Dumplings were tested with fine new ball bowling from Jo Barrs and Tom Barton and struggled to 61 for 3 at the 20 over point. But big hitting from Chris Kelmere (43) and Fanie De Villiers (36) gave the chase impetus and with 10 overs to go exactly 100 were required, with 7 wickets in hand. However, wickets in consecutive balls stopped the charge and then Neal Prowse (4-38) picked up the tail to ensure victory for the University with the Dumplings all out in the final over for 175.

**June 5<sup>th</sup> at Blundell's School:** D.D. 197 a.o. (31 overs; S Luffman 60, L Boyadjian 32) LOST to Blundell's School 326/4 (40 overs L Boyadjian 2-65) by 129 runs.

# In this 40 over match The School won the toss and batted with their openers making a partnership of 197 for the first wicket, Penberthy falling for 111. Dumplings were pleased to remove Wyatt-Haines cheaply but his replacement Dart (68) joined Chilcott (100) in a rapid partnership of 84. Dumplings dropped 7 catches and therefore faced a total of 326. The School bowled well after tea and it was only the fifth wicket partnership of 78 between Luffman and Boyadjian that brought respectability.

**June 17<sup>th</sup> at Knighthayes:** D.D. 137/2 (28 Overs; L Boyadjian 30, J Tapper 45\*, S Schaw 40\*) BEAT Arden Taverners 136 a.o.(38 overs J Tapper 3-27, S Bourke 2-19, B Wilson 2-13, J Stirling 2-34) by 8 wickets,

This was the Dumplings first ever match against Arden Taverners who are a touring group from around the country who have visited Devon for 40 years. It was also our first game at Knighthayes since the opening of their beautiful and practical new pavilion. Dumplings won the toss and, with a damp square and outfield, chose to bowl in a 40 over per side match. Chris Ferro on his Dumplings debut and Steve Bourke opened the bowling with the second wicket falling in the 10th over. Taverners never really recovered from their slow start but their opener James Smith stood out with a stylish 67 before he charged Jamie Tapper giving Scott Schaw one of his five victims behind the stumps, 2 stumped and 3 caught. The Taverners folded for a disappointing 136, wickets being shared by Bourke (2), Tom Radley (1), Bernie Wilson (2), Jack Stirling (2), also on debut, and with Tapper starring with 3 for 27. After the interval the Dumplings reply started with 15 runs off 9 balls for Ferro, followed by a partnership of 60 between Tapper and Luke Boyadjian who fell to a good caught and bowled by Jon Hartley. Joined by Schaw in an unbeaten partnership of 61 Tapper went on to make 45\*. Schaw ended on 40\* and the Dumplings achieved their target after 28 of their 40 overs.

**June 19<sup>th</sup> at Kelly College:** D.D. 143 a.o. (34 overs; T Legodi 78) LOST to Kelly College 144/6 (23 overs; J McGahey 5-42) by 4 wickets.

The 10 man Dumplings won the toss against an under-strength Kelly side and elected to bat. Nigel Sawrey-Cookson and Tom Watkins got the innings off to a sound start before Watkins was bowled with the score on 29. The arrival of Tschepo Legodi accelerated the scoring rate and he anchored the innings while wickets fell regularly at the other end. Apart from Nigel Sawrey-Cookson with 19, the remainder of the batsmen contributed a meagre 24 runs. The innings closed when Legodi was bowled with the score on 144.

The Kelly innings started dramatically with 4 wickets falling for 1 run. James McGahey bowling tightly had 3 of them and Legodi had one with a sharply taken slip catch by Sawrey-Cookson. The sixth wicket fell with the score on 48 and Kelly effectively only had 2 more batsmen because 2 of their players had to leave the ground early. McGahey was rested with figures of 5 for 22 and this allowed the College back into the match, the three spinners used conceding 83 runs in 11 overs between them.

McGahey returned for a final fling but Kelly won (officially) by 4 wickets with skipper Jack Williams carrying his bat for 71\*. He was ably supported by Andy Egford with 43\* with these two contributing 114 of the required target of 145.

**June 26<sup>th</sup> at West Buckland School:** D.D. 288/4 declared (52 overs; B Reed 169\*, N Chaudhary 30\*, H Booker 23) BEAT West Buckland School 209 a.o. (40 overs; N Chaudhary 4-28, H Booker 3-37) by 79 runs.

The Dumplings batted first and started slowly, reaching 27 for 1 in the first ten overs, but as the outfield speeded up so did the run rate, the last 13 overs producing an unbroken stand of 113. Blake Reed, Exeter's Aussie opener, batted through for 169 not out. He was supported early on by Harry Booker (23) and Naj Choudhary contributed 30 not out to the last stand. Mitchell was the most successful School bowler with 2 for 61 in 12 overs.

The School's innings proceeded in fits and starts, but wickets fell for the Dumplings at the right times, and included two good run outs. The first three-quarters included contributions by Platts-Martin (28), Mitchell (38) and Sullivan (28) and the last part of the innings was enlivened by Davies who struck a quick 61 at number seven, but when he was out at 205 the innings subsided quickly.

The Dumplings seam bowlers were unsuccessful but 6 eventful overs by Harry Booker produced 3 for 37 and Paul Berman bowled his slow left-arm economically to concede only 23 in 9 overs. The game changed when Naj Choudhary, having gone for 14 in his first over, took 4 for 14 in his next 3.1 overs to finish the match with final figures of 4 for 28, the Dumplings winning by 79 runs.

**July 8<sup>th</sup> at Exeter:** D.D. 256/8 declared (58 overs; C Evans-Grainger 30, M Hoddinott 58, L Boyadjian 77, R Pyle 27) LOST to Wye Rustics 260/4 (51.2 overs; L Boyadjian 2-40) by 6 wickets.

A scorching day at the County Ground produced a good day of cricket and a competitive match against the Wye Rustics. Skipper Richard Pyle won the toss for the Dumplings and elected to bat. Some loose seam bowling and an exceptionally quick outfield saw the Dumplings off to a flier, with Marcus Hoddinott (59) and Cameron Grainger-Evans (30) putting on 74 for the first wicket in 12 overs. The Rustics turned to their spinners with off-spinner Turner and leg-spinner Craze (4 for 55) bowling very tidily and effectively on the dry pitch. The innings ebbed and flowed with good middle order runs from Luke Boyadjian (77) and Pyle (27) until the skipper declared at 256 for 8 - arguably a generous declaration in the conditions

The Rustics set off well in their chase reaching 63 without loss at tea. The opening partnership eventually realised 119 in 30 overs and was ended by a leaping one handed catch by Graham White at square leg to dismiss Richardson (35). A Craze upped the run rate with a handy 38 but R Craze batted faultlessly having opened and, despite a great effort in the heat from Jake Choules, who bowled 19 overs of off-spin, carried his bat for 127\* to win the match.

**July 9<sup>th</sup> at Seaton:** D.D. 278/6 declared (56 overs; R Ashworth 76, C Kelmere 37, H Bennett 46, F de Villiers 51\*, M Kidd 39\*) BEAT Free Foresters 104 a.o. (31.2 overs; M Kidd 1-33, F de Villiers 3-29, J Tapper 2- 8, H Bennett 1-2) by 152 runs.

# Dumplings won the toss and decided to bat losing C Evans-Grainger to the first ball of the match. R Ashworth (76) watched two more wickets fall before being joined at a score of 3-28 by skipper C Kelmere (37) and combined in a partnership of 75. He put on another 68 with H Bennett (46) before being the last wicket to fall with the score on 208. The last pair, F de Villiers (51\*) and M Kidd (39\*) added 70 in 8.4 overs before the declaration. Free Foresters reply started poorly and got worse. Only J Hamilton with 41 off 96 balls in 72 minutes troubled the scorers. The last seven wickets fell for 23 runs and Free Foresters subsided with all the wickets shared fairly evenly by the Dumplings attack.

**July 11<sup>th</sup> at Kilmington:** Haberdasher's Askes vs. D.D. CANCELLED, THROUGH ILLNESS OF HA'S ORGANISER

**July 19<sup>th</sup> at Knightshayes:** D.D. 177/2 (23.5 overs; C Evans-Grainger 64\*, J Roussow 29, M Labuschange 53\*) BEAT Denstone Wanderers 175 a.o. (29.1 overs; J Tapper 3-12, M Labuschange 2-26, B Wilson 2-33) by 8 wickets.

# Denstone Wanderers won the toss and chose to bat and the first wicket partnership of 68 flattered to deceive with T and J Bamford respectively scoring 40 and 43 runs. S Bamford, the third of the cricketing Bamfords, scored only 2 runs! The only other partnership of note was 59 between L Cheadle (40) and G Macaloon (18). Two run outs, both attributable to W Denford did not help the Wanderers cause and they failed to manage the Dumplings spinners. In contrast Dumplings opener C Evans-Grainger carried his bat for 64\* having contributed to an opening partnership of 50 with J Roussow (29). He also put on 105 unbeaten runs with M Labuschange (53\* off 28 balls) bringing the Dumplings home to victory in impressive fashion.

**July 23<sup>rd</sup> at Blundell's School:** Old Blundellians vs. D.D. CANCELLED, OPPOSITION UNABLE TO RAISE A SIDE

**July 30<sup>th</sup> at Exeter:** Warwickshire Imps vs. D.D. CANCELLED, RAIN

**August 1<sup>st</sup> at Instow:** .D.D. 305/7 declared (52.2 overs; D Barratt 77, M Marais 65, S Ewen 74, C Neilson 30, D Jolliffe 18\*) DREW with UCSOBs 201/6 (50 overs; P Schiller 3-65, B Wilson 2-28, G McEndoo 1-30).

A young Dumplings side batted first in hot and sunny conditions at Instow against UCS Old Boys. There were five debutantes in the Dumplings team with four coming from the North Devon area. Dan Barratt and Jack Cherrington shared an opening partnership of 29 before Cherrington fell lbw for 14 and Marco Marais joined Barratt in a stand of 107. Marais was dropped early on and took advantage by going to 65 off 52 balls before being caught off a rare false stroke. Divan Marais and George McEndoo came and went before Barratt put on 30 with Sam Ewen, the stand ending when Barratt was caught and bowled for 77 off 97 balls. Ewen and Charlie Neilson continued to rack up the runs, putting on 83 before Neilson was run out for 30 with the score at 273. The next 10 minutes produced 32 runs with skipper David Jolliffe striking 18 not out off 8 balls and the declaration came when Ewen was last out for 74 off 66 balls. The final score was 305 for 7 made off 52.2 overs with the best bowling being 4 for 87 off 17.2 overs from skipper Ian Chapman.

UCSOBs' response never really got out of third gear. The openers made 50 runs in 16 overs before Joe Craig fell to Bernie Wilson for 32 leaving David Goldsmith to be joined by Greg Morris. The second wicket fell to Wilson after a partnership of 59 in eight overs when Morris holed out to Neilson for 24. The innings meandered and the run rate required rose inexorably as the middle order failed to fire with the fifth wicket falling at 120 in the 30th over and the sixth at 160 in the 38th as Goldsmith fell to Schiller for 83. A final unbeaten partnership of 41 between Jaime Ward and Aaron Roberts occupied 12 overs and time was called after 50 overs with the score on 201 for 6.

**August 2<sup>nd</sup> at Shobrooke:** D.D. 185/3 (29.2 overs; G White 38, J Tapper 64\*, Extras 48)  
BEAT Somerset Stragglers 184/6 (40 overs; J Stirling 2-35, B Wilson 2-39, J Tapper 8-3-1-14).

# Somerset Stragglers won the toss in this 40 over match at Shobrooke and batted opening with occasional Dumpling Sam Loud (79 with 11 fours and 3 sixes ) and H Bowditch (5 off 32 balls) reaching a stand of 54 in the 12<sup>th</sup> over. Loud was joined by Quick (32 off 69 balls with 45 “dots”) before he was dismissed after his second consecutive half- century partnership being 65. Edmonds accelerated towards the end of the innings with 32\* off 27 balls bringing Stragglers to 184/6 which always looked well below par on a good wicket.

Dumplings got off to a rapid response but losing 2 wickets at 39 in 5.2 overs. G White (38) and J Tapper (64\*) at numbers 3 and 4 put on an entertaining 80 runs. Tapper and S Tait (14\*) then finished the match with an unbroken partnership of 66. Mathematicians will note that this would appear to leave Dumplings short but they should remember “Extras” who easily was second top scorer with 48! This included 35 wides including four “five wides”.

**August 2<sup>nd</sup> at Plymouth College:** D.D. 207 a.o. (38 overs; M Labuschagne 95) MATCH ABANDONED, RAIN with Old Plymouthians 160/5 (29 overs; M Labuschagne 3-17, R West 2-37) when rain stopped play.

This was a unique occasion in that, for the first time, the Dumplings had two fixtures on the same day. The Dumplings batted first and reached 116 for 2 in the 23<sup>rd</sup> over before a mini collapse set in, the fifth wicket falling at 125, Opener Marnus Labuschagne was the dominant scorer before being sixth out in the 28<sup>th</sup> over for a well made 95. Another collapse then took place, but the innings was partly rescued by a last wicket stand of 27 in four overs, the final total being 207.

The OPs reply began rapidly with 69 runs on the board in the first 10 overs. Marnus Labuschagne slowed down the rate with a spell of 3 for 17 off 8 overs and opener Will Chapman fell for 44 with the score on 79. The OP innings was then dominated by Rob Bennett's 76 not out with wickets falling regularly at the other end. Rain, lightning and bad light caused the abandonment of the match with the OPs still requiring 48 from 11 overs with 5 wickets in hand - it was a game that could have gone either way.

**August 5<sup>th</sup> at Exeter:** Sou'westers vs. D.D. CANCELLED, RAIN

**August 9<sup>th</sup> at Exeter:** Old Honitonians vs. D.D. CANCELLED, OPPOSITION FAILED TO RAISE A SIDE

**August 12<sup>th</sup> at Exeter:** D.D. 275/3 declared (47.4 overs; C Ferro 67, M Marais 73, D Marais 64\*, R Pyle 52\*) LOST to The Strollers 277/4 (38.5 overs) by 6 wickets.

Dumplings won the toss and batted and lost Graham White early to a top edged hook. Chris Ferro was then joined by Marco Marais with the pair taking the innings through to lunch with an unbeaten century partnership. After lunch Marco went for a well made 73 out of a partnership of 130. Ferro continued well in partnership with Divan Marais as the pair put on another 64 runs before he fell for 67. Divan and Richard Pyle then added a rapid 73 runs in 30 minutes before the declaration came at 275 for 3, Divan having made 64 at a run a ball and Pyle 52 off 23 balls.

Batting for 50 minutes before tea Strollers made a flying start to their reply with A. Trotter and Lawrence continuing where Dumplings left off, putting on a hundred before tea. Trotter departed lbw to Bernie Wilson for 23 out of 126 leaving Lawrence to continue his pre-tea progress coming to his century in 65 balls before finally holing out at long on for 146 off 90 balls with the score at 188 for 2. He left his middle order to gather the remaining runs which they did after only 10 of the last hour's 20 overs. A. Price, who scored 44 including 9 fours, was the other major contributor for The Strollers.

It turned out to be a batsman's game with 556 runs scored for the fall of a mere 7 wickets and Lawrence's remarkable innings was the major difference between the two sides.

**August 13<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> at Oxford:** Tour Matches vs. Frogs, SOA and Incogniti CANCELLED

**August 19<sup>th</sup> at Brixham:** D.D. 123 a.o. (35.2 overs; M Hewer 21, S Luffman 56) LOST to Futura Sports S.A. 124/6 (28.1 overs) by 4 wickets.

# Dumplings lost the toss and were inserted to bat by this young South African touring side in our first match against them. The first 5 wickets fell for 32 runs before S Luffman came to the wicket at number 7 and top scored with 56 including 7 fours. He was supported by M Hewer (21) who was the only other player to reach double figures. The bowlers shared the wickets between them with the best figures being 3-27 by Mitchell.

Futura's reply stuttered briefly with Gertze bowled in the first over by F de Villiers for 3 runs. Two players batted well, Lacon-Allian with 41 and Mitchell 26. 3 wickets fell for 60 in the 13<sup>th</sup> over but then a stand of 39 brought Futura to 99/4 with 20 overs to go. No Dumplings bowler took more than 1 wicket and Futura ultimately ran out easy victors.

The pitch was the real winner as 16 wickets fell for 247 runs.

**August 21<sup>st</sup> at Instow:** D.D. 153 a.o. (32.2 overs; D Barrett 60, P Bowes 31 – only 9 players in team) LOST to North Devon 233/6 (40 overs; R Tidball 2-27) by 80 runs.

# After a difficult week or so for the Match manager the nine Dumplings travelled to Instow, lost the toss and took to the field in this 40 over a side match. They did well to limit the eleven from North Devon to a total of 233/6 and at no time did they “get away” from them. Opener Ansell made 63 off 58 balls and number 3 Huxtable 50 off 71 balls the two of them putting on 87 in 90 balls. Holding a side to such a total at Instow with only 9 men is quite an achievement. All but the keeper bowled and economically too. R Tidball took 2-27 as 6<sup>th</sup> change!

The reply started with 72 for the first wicket with Tidball contributing 11 before being caught and bowled. His Partner D Barratt (60) was joined by P Bowes (31) taking the score to 101 before he was bowled. Both Bowes and S Ewen (16) sadly fell to run outs and the innings subsided to honourable defeat with the last three wickets falling for one run at 153 a.o. (8 wickets down).

I would hope that Dumplings sides in a similar position to their opponents would continue to offer substitute assistance. The game would have been closer if that courtesy had been proffered.

**August 23<sup>rd</sup> at Exeter:** D.D. 191 a.o. (39.2 overs; C Ferro 44, J Tapper 65) LOST to South Oxford Amateurs 192/8 (30.1 overs; R Williams 2-59, D Gaywood 3-26, J Tapper 2-57, C Ferro 1-25) by 2 wickets.

Having elected to bat first, the Dumplings immediately lost Alex Birt, adjudged lbw, in the second over. Clyst St George's Chris Ferro was then joined by Thorverton's Graham White and the pair put on 33, White falling in the 11th over. Ferro and Exmouth's Jamie Tapper then took the score to 132 for 2 by lunch, 25 overs having been bowled.

After lunch a procession of Dumplings lost their wickets to loose shots with six falling to simple catches. Ferro fell for 44 and then Tapper for 65, their contributions being the backbone of the Dumplings total. Only Ryan Williams, coming in at number 7, also got into double figures with 19. The Dumplings were all out for a disappointing total of 191 made in 168 minutes off 39.2 overs in this all day game. For SOA Nick Pykett took 4 for 60 with Graham Beer and Adie Manger each taking 2 wickets.

The Dumplings' over rate was not much better in the hour's play before tea but they had the excuse that 5 wickets fell for 83 runs in the 14 overs bowled. Only Danny Lee troubled the scorers seriously with an even-time 37. Dominic Gaywood starred for Dumplings with 5-1-26-3. He did not bowl after tea.

After tea Graham Beer and Steve Green scored 34 and 21 respectively, leaving Aide Manger and Ian Counce to bring SOA closer to their target before Manger had to retire with an acute episode of vertigo. His innings resumed at the fall of the eighth wicket with the score at 146 before he and the skipper Counce rapidly brought the game to its conclusion within the next seven overs and during the second over of the minimum 20 in the last hour. Manger ended on 23 not out and Counce 46 not out off 21 balls – a match winning innings including seven 4s and a towering 6.

For Dumplings Dominic Gaywood took an impressive 3 for 26 in his debut, Ryan Williams 2 for 59, also in debut, and Jamie Tapper 2 for 57.

**August 27<sup>th</sup> at Exeter:** D.D. 276/8 declared (53 overs; M Labuschagne 61, C Kelmere Jnr 75, S Luffman 32, F de Villiers 23) LOST to The Frogs 277/4 (44.5 overs; J Richardson 2-37) by 6 wickets.

The playing surface at the County Ground favoured batsmen, with a good track and very fast outfield. Dumplings won the toss and batted steadily reaching 102 for 2 in 20 overs before lunch. The innings continued at similar pace until the fall of the fifth wicket at 181 in the 38<sup>th</sup> over. The remainder of the innings was disappointing as every batsman made double figures but the 97 in the last 16 overs was less than had been hoped for. Opener Marnus Labuschagne made 61, No.4 Chris Kelmere 75 and skipper Steve Luffman 32. The two Marshalls took 3 wickets each for Frogs.

The Frogs innings was dominated by opener A Carson who made 152 out of 230 in 30 overs. He was aided by T Marshall (31) and C Carson (38\*). Apart from Jack Richardson (9.5-3-37-2) the Dumplings bowlers did not impress and the Frogs, aided by 10 overthrows easily knocked off the runs with 13 balls to spare in the last hour.

**August 29<sup>th</sup> at Sidmouth:** D.D. 206 a.o. (9 wickets in 38.4 overs; G White 80, T Lammonby 71) LOST to Old Broxfordians 261 a.o. (38.5 overs; J Tapper 3-36, P Berman 4-58, D Pyle 1-27, B Wilson 2-45) by 55 runs.

The final game of the 2013 season was played at 40 overs a side on a lovely day at Sidmouth's Fortfield against the Old Broxfordians, who fielded a strong side supplemented by several of Sidmouth CC's own. Old Broxfordians won the toss and on a flat pitch made a fine start reaching 70 for 1 off the first ten overs. The Dumplings attack included four spinners and the off spin of Henry Bennett (8 overs 0 for 34) and Jamie Tapper (6.5 overs 3 for 36 with all his wickets coming in the last over of the innings!) brought us back into the game whilst the opposition progressed well through opener Mike Hunter and No.3 Harry Horsley. A third off spinner, Bernie Wilson, made the crucial breakthrough bowling Horseley with a sharply spinning ball for a well made 71. Shortly after, left arm spinner Paul Berman lured Hunter down the wicket to be stumped by Will Sobczak for a fine 99. The wicket fell at 173 with 14 overs still to be bowled, so the Dumplings did well in restricting the final total to 261 all out in the 39<sup>th</sup> over. Paul Berman was the pick of our spinners with 4 for 58 off his eight overs.

In reply, a strong Dumplings batting line up was soon in disarray, blown away by the pace of Manbir Johal (4 for 12 off 5 overs) and the movement of Henry Gater (2 for 24 off 5). The only batsman in the top 6 to reach double figures was Will Sobczak with 16. So at 35 for 6 after just 9 overs, Captain Graham White was joined by 13 year old Tom Lammonby, making his Dumplings debut. The pair proceeded to add 162 for the 7<sup>th</sup> wicket with White stroking 80 off 75 balls and Lammonby crafting a stylish 71 off 85. This gave the Dumplings a degree of respectability if nothing else, as we were bowled out for 206 in the 39<sup>th</sup> over. But no doubt the day will be best remembered for a remarkable knock by a highly talented young player in Lammonby, which left the Keeper of the Records searching for evidence that he may indeed be both the youngest Dumpling of all time and the youngest to score a half-century on debut!

(Note from KOTR – I am checking but it could take some time...)

## AVERAGES and STATISTICS 2013

### BATTING      Innings Not out Runs Highest Average (Min 4 innings)

J Tapper	6	2	181	65	45.25
G White	5	0	144	80	28.8
C. Kelmere	4	0	155	75	38.75
R Pyle	4	1	85	52*	28.33
M Labuschange	4	1	214	95	71.33

### BOWLING Overs Maidens Runs Wickets Average Economy Best (Min 30 overs)

B Wilson	66	5	360	11	32.73	5.45	2-13
P Berman	30	2	179	5	35.8	5.97	4-54
J Tapper	39	7	192	12	16	4.92	3-27
J Stirling	36	4	180	5	36	5	2-34

### CENTURIES [ 1 ]

169\* B Reed vs. West Buckland School

### CENTURY PARTNERSHIPS [7]

2<sup>nd</sup>. wicket

117 B Reed 169\* & H Booker 23 vs. West Buckland School

107 D Barrett 77 & M Marais 65 vs. UCSOBs

130 C Ferro 67 & M Marais 73 vs. The Strollers

3<sup>rd</sup>. wicket

114 C Ferro 44 & J Tapper 65 vs. South Oxford Amateurs

105\* C Evans-Grainger 64\* & M Labuschange 53\* vs. Denstone Wanderers

4<sup>th</sup>. wicket

113\* B Reed 169\* & N Chaudhary 30\*

7<sup>th</sup>. wicket

162 by G White 80 & T Lammomby 71

# No report in season

### **BEST BOWLING**

5-42 J McGahey vs. Kelly College

4-28 N Chaudhary vs. West Buckland School

4-58 P Berman vs. Old Broxfordians

### **CATCHES**

4: J Tapper

3: F de Villiers; S Schaw; L Boyadjian; J Stirling; S Ewen; M Labuschagne

### **APPEARANCES**

12: B Wilson

9: G White

7: J Tapper

6: J Stirling

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